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John Glover Roberts, Jr.

Member

Date of Birth: January 27, 1955
Education: Harvard 1976 AB, 1979 JD

Affiliation: Chief Justice, Chambers of Chief Justice John Glover Roberts, Jr., Supreme Court of the United States; Ex Officio Trustee, Board of Trustees, National Gallery of Art; Ex Officio Trustee, Board of Trustees, Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden; Ex Officio Member, Board of Regents, Smithsonian Institution; Ex Officio Commission Member, Commission, National Portrait Gallery

Clerkships: Law Clerk, Circuit Judge Henry J. Friendly, United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit (1979-1980); Law Clerk, Associate Justice William H. Rehnquist, Supreme Court of the United States (1980-1981)

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Government: Special Assistant, Office of the Attorney General, United States Department of Justice, Ronald Reagan Administration (1981-1982); Associate Counsel to the President, The White House Office, Executive Office of the President, Ronald Reagan Administration (1982-1986); Principal Deputy Solicitor General, United States Department of Justice, George H.W. Bush Administration (1989-1993)

Judicial: Circuit Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit (2003-2005)

Legal Practice: Associate, Hogan & Hartson LLP (1986-1987); Partner, Hogan & Hartson LLP (1988-1989); Partner, Hogan & Hartson LLP (1993-2003)

Current Memberships: American Academy of Appellate Lawyers; The Edward Coke Appellate American Inn of Court, The American Inns of Court; The American Law Institute

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Dennis Jacobs

Member

Date of Birth: 1944
Education: Queens Col (NY) 1964 BA; NYU 1965 MA, 1973 JD

Affiliation: Chief Judge, Chambers of Chief Judge Dennis Jacobs, United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit

Academic: Lecturer, Queens College (1967-1969)

Legal Practice: Associate, Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP (1973-1980); Partner, Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP (1980-1992)

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Karen Johnson Williams

Member

Date of Birth: 1951
Education: Columbia Col (SC) 1972 BA; South Carolina 1980 JD
Began Service: 2007

Academic: Teacher, Irmo Middle School, Lexington County School District No. 5 (1972-1974); Teacher, Orangeburg-Wilkinson High School, Orangeburg County School District No. 5 (1974-1976)

Legal Practice: Attorney and Corporate Secretary, Charles H. Williams, P.A. (1980-1992)

Current Memberships: American Judicature Society; Federal Judges Association; National Association of Women Judges; Orangeburg County Bar Association; South Carolina Bar

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James P. Jones

Member

Date of Birth: 1940
Education: Duke 1962 AB; Virginia 1965 LLB
Began Service: 2007

Affiliation: Chief Judge, Chambers of Chief Judge James P. Jones, United States District Court for the Western District of Virginia

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Clement F. Haynsworth, Jr., United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit (1966-1968)

Corporate: Local Advisory Director, Signet Bank, N.A. (1980-1996); Director, Bristol Steel & Iron Works, Inc. (1992-1996)

Government: Assistant Attorney General, Commonwealth of Virginia (1965-1966); State Senator (D-VA), Virginia State Senate (1983-1988); Member and President, Board of Education, Commonwealth of Virginia (1990-1996)

Legal Practice: Associate then Partner and Shareholder, Penn, Stuart, Eskridge & Jones (1968-1996)

Nonprofit: Director, Southwest Virginia Legal Aid Society (1982-1996)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; American Bar Foundation, American Bar Association; American Board of Trial Advocates; American College of Trial Lawyers; American Judicature Society; City of Bristol Bar Association; The Virginia Bar Association; Virginia State Bar; Washington County Bar Association

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James B. Loken

Member

Date of Birth: 1940
Education: Wisconsin 1962 BS; Harvard 1965 LLB
Began Service: March 2003

Affiliation: Chief Judge, Chambers of Chief Judge James B. Loken, United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable J. Edward Lumbard, United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit (1965-1966); Law Clerk The Honorable Byron R. White, Supreme Court of the United States (1966-1967)

Government: Staff Assistant to the President, Executive Office of the President, Richard M. Nixon Administration (1970-1972); General Counsel, President's Committee on Consumer Interests, Executive Office of the President (1970)

Legal Practice: Associate, Faegre & Benson LLP (1967-1970); Partner, Faegre & Benson LLP (1972-1990)

Current Memberships: Hennepin County Bar Association; Minnesota State Bar Association

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Alex Kozinski

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Date of Birth: 1950
Education: UCLA 1972 AB, 1975 JD
Began Service: December 2007

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Anthony M. Kennedy, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (1975-1976); Law Clerk The Honorable Warren E. Burger, Supreme Court of the United States (1976-1977)

Government: Deputy Legal Counsel, Ronald Reagan Transition Team (1980-1981); Assistant Counsel, White House Counsel's Office, Executive Office of the President, Ronald Reagan Administration (1981); Special Counsel, United States Merit Systems Protection Board (1981-1982)

Judicial: Chief Judge, United States Court of Federal Claims (1982-1985)

Legal Practice: Forry, Golbert, Singer & Gelles (1977-1979); Covington & Burling (1979-1981)

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Robert H. Henry

Member

Date of Birth: 1953
Education: Oklahoma 1974 BA, 1976 JD
Began Service: January 1, 2008
Term Expires: January 1, 2015

Academic: Dean and Professor, School of Law, Oklahoma City University (1991-1994)

Government: State Representative Robert H. Henry (D-OK), Oklahoma House of Representatives (1976-1986); Attorney General, State of Oklahoma (1987-1991)

Legal Practice: Partner, Henry, West, Sill & Combs (1977-1983); Partner, Henry, Henry & Henry (1983-1987)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; American Bar Foundation, American Bar Association; The William J. Holloway, Jr. American Inn of Court, The American Inns of Court; National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws; Oklahoma Bar Association; Oklahoma City Bar Association

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David Bryan Sentelle

Member

Date of Birth: 1943
Education: North Carolina 1965 BA, 1968 JD
Began Service: February 11, 2008
Term Expires: February 2015
Political Affiliation: Republican

Academic: Visiting Professor, University of North Carolina at Charlotte (1977); Adjunct Professor, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (1991-1992); Adjunct Professor, College of Law, Florida State University (1993)

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